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For : A METHOD TO PREVENT ACCELERATED
ATHEROSCLEROSIS USING (sRAGE) SOLUBLE RECEPTOR
FOR ADVANCED GLYCATION ENDPRODUCTS

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MAY 7, 2003 OFFICE ACTION

This Amendment is submitted in response to a May 7, 2003 Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the May 7, 2003 Office Action is due August 7, 2003. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.